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Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no parsons are required to respond to a collection of Information unless it displays a valid QMB control number. Application Number Request For October 22, 2003 Filing Date Continued Examination (RCE) Masanobu Shigeta First Named Inventor **Transmittal** 2871 Address to: MS RCE Art Unit Commissioner for Palenta z. Q. Qi Examiner Name P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 21994-00064-US Attorney Docket Number This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1998, or to any design application. 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unantored amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unantered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action amendment(s). may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. Enclosed b.\x Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) x Amendment/Reply Other Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a \_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. 3. Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit eny overpayments to Deposit Account No. 22-0185 . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. X RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) Extension of time fee (\$7 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) il. 10 Check in the amount of \$ \_\_ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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